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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Elizabeth King, et al.

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TITLE: Controlled-Release Pharmaceutical Formulations

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Response Under Rule 111

This in response to the Office Action dated January 18, 2001 in the above-identified application, the term for response having been extended three (3) months by enclosing the appropriate fee and petition herewith.

In response to the Office Action, please make the following changes to the application.

In the claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

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24. (Amended) A method of treating sexual dysfunction, which comprises administering a controlled-release formulation, as defined in claim 1, but without proviso, to a mammal in need of such treatment.

B²
30. (Amended) Products containing a controlled-release formulation as defined in claim 1, but without proviso, and a cGMP PDE-5 inhibitor in immediate release form, as a combined preparation for simultaneous, separate or sequential use in the treatment of sexual dysfunction.

REMARKS

The above amendments have been made to improve form, in response to the Office Action.

Applicants have amended claims 24 and 30 by deleting the wording which

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